NURSING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM SECTION 112 GRANT SCHOOLS

Section 112 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, Pub. L. 94-437, as amended by Pub. L. 102-573, 25 U.S.C. 1616e, authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Indian Health Service to provide grants to educational institutions for the purpose of increasing the number of nurses, nurse midwives, nurse anesthetists, and nurse practitioners who deliver health care services to Indians.

The following six educational institutions have received Notice of Grant Awards for the school years 2004 through 2009:

- University of Oklahoma LINKwww.nursing.uhsc.edu/americanindian.asp
- University of Minnesota LINK-www.nursing.edu.unm.edu
- South Dakota State University http://www3.sdstate.edu/Academics/CollegeOfNursing/NursingScholarships
- Arizona State University
 Montana State University
 LINK-www.nursing.asu.edu/asun
 LINK-www.montana.edu/nanurse
- University of North Dakota LINK-www.und.edu/dept/nursing/rain.html

Under the terms and conditions of the Notice of Grant Award these educational institutions have agreed to provide a minimum of five scholarship awards per academic year. The scholarship award may consist of payments, in whole or in part, for tuition charged for the applicant's course of study and other expenses incurred in connection with such program, including books, fees, room and board, and stipends for living expenses.

Scholarship Requirements:

- (1) Be enrolled as a full-time student in one of the participating educational institutions, in pursuit of a course of study leading to a degree as a nurse, nurse midwife, nurse anesthetist, or nurse practitioner.
- (2) Maintain an acceptable level of academic standing, as defined by the educational institution while enrolled in the course of study for which the scholarship awards is provided.
- (3) Serve a period of obligated service of one year for each year of scholarship support which is received and to serve not less than two years of obligated service in an Indian health program i.e., Indian Health Service; a program conducted under a contract entered into under the Indian Self-Determination Act; an urban Indian organization assisted under title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act or in private practice of nursing if the position is situated in a physician or other health professional shortage area that addresses the health care needs of a substantial number of Indians.
- (4) To apply for and undertake placement for incurred service obligation in accord with established placement policies and procedures of the IHS.